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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

MINORU TAKEBE et al.

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For: STEM-CELL AUGMENTING  
MATERIAL

Art Unit: 1632

Examiner: Qian Janice Li

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 13, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows: